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DISPLAY DEVICE Group Art Unit: 2629

Examiner: OSORIO, RICARDO

SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

Restriction Response

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RESTRICTION RESPONSE

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SIR:

In response to the restriction requirement dated April 14, 2006, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group II, Claims 10-23 for further examination on the merits in the present application.

Applicants respectfully traverse the Restriction Requirement for the following reason.

MPEP § 803 states:

If the search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden, the Examiner must examine it on the merits, even though it includes claims to distinct or independent inventions.

The claims of the present invention would appear to be part of an overlapping search area. Accordingly, Applicants also respectfully traverse the outstanding Restriction Requirement on the grounds that a search and examination of the entire application would not place a *serious* burden on the Examiner.

Application No. 10/662,531 Reply to Office Action of April 14, 2006

Accordingly, examination of the claims on the merits is believed to be in order and an early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

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